(d) whether Government has considered this report; and

(e) if so, what action Government proposes to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Supreme Court notice on unrecognized degrees

98. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court has issued notices to Centre, States and Medical Council of India on unrecognized degrees issued to medicos;

(b) if so, what are the details of the notice issued by Supreme Court to the Centre/States;

(c) what are the steps being taken by his Ministry in this regard; and

(d) whether any directive has been issued by the Supreme Court in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (d) Supreme Court has issued notice in West Bengal (Civil) No.124/2008 in the matter of Dr. Mukesh Yadav and Ors. *Vs* Union of India. The petitioners in this case have prayed to issue directions to respondent *i.e.* Medical Council of India to take steps for grant of recognition of degree/diploma of various medical colleges in a time bound manner while allowing admissions to these courses without affecting the rights of those who already possess these degrees/diplomas. No directive has been issued by the Supreme Court in this regard so far.

Outsourcing of clinical trials

99. SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA:
SHRIMATI SYEDA ANWARA TAIMUR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that during 1996-2000, the United States had outsourced 4230 clinical trials to India and during 2001-2005 the outsourced clinical trials were 12022;

(b) if so, whether a survey conducted by ASSOCHAM has estimated that by 2010 outsourcing to us will be 546 million dollars from the current level of 150 million dollars; and

(c) whether trained doctors and other para-medical staff will be available by that time so that this potential of job opportunities and foreign exchange earnings is fully taken advantage of?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) No, Sir. Permission to conduct Clinical trials are being